# GULFP RT AT A GLANCE

Where city employees get their news



# Mayor's Note

The Harbor

Construction of the Gulfport Harbor moved another step closer to completion last month with a groundbreaking on

the Harbor Services facility.

The \$1.7 million facility will take about a year to build and it will be the home of the harbormaster's office and other harbor and park services.

"The harbor and Jones Park property is Mississippi's front yard and it is imperative that we get it right," Mayor George Schloegel said. "With what we have planned for this property, we know we are on the right track."

The city expects to have boats in the new harbor some time this summer. The entire harbor and Jones Park revitalization should be complete in about a year.

Still to come in the park is a new 28,000-square-foot pavilion, an amphitheater-like structure, several smaller pavilions, a new lighthouse, ferryboat terminal, and a farmer's market area.



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# **Benefits Buzz**

By Lynn Hill

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#### 2011 Wellness Program



We can't believe it has been six (6) months since the inception of our 2011 Wellness Program. During the months of January and February all benefit eligible employees had the opportunity to voluntarily participate in our 2011 Wellness Program.

The program required that certain health related goals would be met in order for employees to receive a reduction in their health insurance premium.

We are happy to report that out of the ninety two (92) employees who signed up for the wellness program, sixty (60) completed all program requirements and will receive reduced premiums, starting in July. Our hats are off to our employees who made the commitment of time and effort in order to participate in our wellness program. Based upon their health category, employees were required to complete the following:

Category I- Employees who are currently practicing positive wellness guidelines and complying with proactive positive health measures. Participants were required to keep a physical activity journal for three (3) months and attend, at a minimum, one (1) thirty minute class, conducted by Nurse Practitioner, Holly Chauvin from our Wellness Clinic.

Category II- Employees with identified health challenges; symptoms of heart disease, elevated blood pressure, elevated cholesterol and/or elevated triglycerides, and/or overweight. These employees needed to begin eating healthier diets and start exercising to improve their overall health.

Category III- Employees with three (3) or more symptoms of cardiac disease, such as elevated blood pressure, obesity, diabetes, elevated high cholesterol, high triglycerides, a smoking habit, or any other chronic disease.

Participants in Category II and III were given the choice to participate in one of several classes outside of their work schedule:

Healthy Lifestyles (12 one hour classes)

Healthy Heart and Diabetes (4 hours)

Pre-Diabetes Education (4 hours )



# Wellness Buzz (continued)

The City partnered with Med-Analysis (our Wellness Clinic) and Gulf Coast Health Educators, a 501 3 (C) organization whose purpose is to empower the public to take control of their health and prevent chronic disease through educational classes.

Congratulations to the sixty (60) employees who completed the first phase of our wellness program.

We know that you received a significant amount of health education information. Hopefully, the knowledge you have gained will move you towards becoming healthier individuals. We also had the opportunity to build relationships with our fellow co-workers during this time and share valuable information with each other.

Peter Mc Nair brought a healthy snack he made to one of our classes. We would like to share his recipe with all of you. It is an easy, quick and healthy recipe that is a great alternative to high fat and sweet sugary desserts.



4 cups of oats

1 cup whole wheat flour

1 cup dried cranberries

1 cup raisins

1 cup pecans

2 eggs

1 cup applesauce

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 teaspoon soda

1/2 cup Splenda

2 tablespoons –I Can't Believe It's Not Butter

1/2 cup honey

1 tablespoon vanilla

Divide equally and bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes

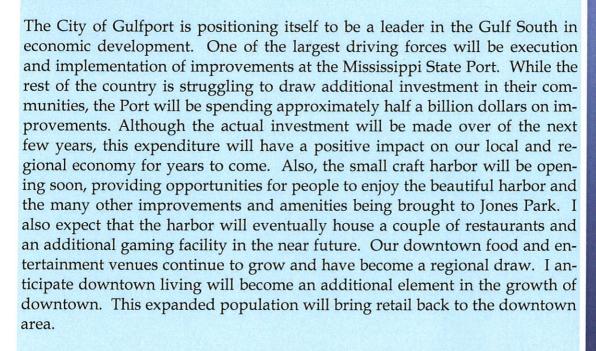
### In the Spotlight:

### The Department Urban Development The Voice of David Nichols

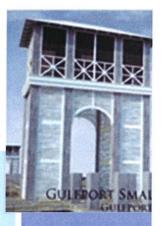
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# **5 QUESTIONS**

- 1. What new economic development do you foresee on the horizon for the City?
- 2. What kind of economic opportunities will be avail able from the opening of the Harbor?
- 3. What do you see the future holds for growth in Gulfport for both economic and urban development?
- 4. How did you become interested in economic development?
- 5. What are my hobbies and interest?



One the most beautiful spots for development on the Gulf Coast is found at the former Veterans Administration property. This property is a joint development project between The City and the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission. While the current economy has made it difficult for one developer to develop the entire property, we have constant 'bites' from those seeking a piece of the pie.



#### The Voice of David Nichols

If we are able to develop the former Laundry Building on the north side of the property into a multi use building, I am hopeful this will trigger the development of the rest of the property.

The Highway 49 corridor continues to be the economic engine for the City. The near future will see the corner of Landon Road and Highway 49 developed with hotels, restaurants and retail. The City also can be a player with additional development at the Sportsplex. Alongside the sports fields and Gulf Islands Water Park, there is potential for a project that would combine city and privately owned land for a large regional development. Further north on Highway 49, Tractor Supply is about to open and with the utility improvements they have made, you will see additional retail in the area.

Dirt is being turned for the development of the Methodist Retirement Home on the east side of Highway 605. Developers are currently having plans reviewed for the area between the retirement home and Highway 605 for a nice retail center. I believe that Highway 605 will be our next growth corridor.

All of the above has been accomplished while each of you have been at the helm, so thank you for letting me help achieve the goals toward which we are all working. Economic Development is not attained by one person or one office, it is what each of us do every day to provide services and improve the quality of life for our residents. From the moment a potential investor arrives in town, we have an opportunity to make an impression.

Is the grass cut? Is litter picked up? Is each visitor greeted with a smile and a welcome in every office? Do visitors feel safe? Is the City's fire rating favorable? Are the athletic fields in good shape? Are signs cluttering the highway? Does the developer see that we are taking care of the details so he or she knows instinctively that the City is well-managed? Remember that while you carry out your job each and every one of us is in charge of the City's image and promoting economic development. You may be the first person a visitor comes into contact with in the City and the first impression

we make may be the difference between a new business or development coming to Gulfport or going elsewhere. If you ask me about a specific development, you will probably get a vague answer. It is my opinion that it is best to keep quiet until a development is ready to make an announcement.



As for my hobbies and interests, at one time I enjoyed working in my yard, but this summer has been too hot. I serve on the vestry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. I also serve as a board member for Les Cavalier's Carnival organization.

My two worst vices that I love Ole Miss Athletics and wing hunting (dove-ducks). My wife will tell you that I spend way too much money on each and should spend more on her!

# LIGHTS & SIRENS: Fire & Police News POLICE DEPARTMENT by Mike Saucier

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# Civilian Employees of the Month

Ryan Bennett (pictured first) was recognized as Civilian Employee of the month for March. During his five years of service, he has spent most of that time as the shift supervisor in the Communications Division. Ryan is well known for his "can do attitude". He regularly assumes responsibilities other than his own and makes an effort to improve the work environment for those around him.

Steven Fore (pictured second) was recognized as Civilian Employee of the month for April. During his year of service, he has spent most of that time as a Community Service Technician. Steven has been assisting with the Underage Drinking Enforcement Program for several months. During this time he has been an integral part of the City's' effort to prevent youth access to alcohol. He is known around the department for his pleasant attitude and consistent smile.

### Officer of the Month

Officer Adam Dye (pictured third) was recognized as Officer of the Month for March. Officer Dye a seven year veteran, was credited with consistently going above and beyond while handling service calls. Officer Dye solved a recent burglary by making extra efforts in his field investigation, which lead to the arrest of the suspect and removed another criminal from the streets of Gulfport.

Sergeant Aaron Fore (pictured last) was recognized as Officer of the Month for April. Sergeant Fore is a 10 year veteran whose leadership and efforts have to taken his unit within Special Enforcement Services to a new level. Sergeant Fore took on the role of supervisor during his supervisor's military deployment, as well as maintained his current duties as Field Supervisor. He managed to complete an array of assignments from mundane to very complex with ease and has surpassed performance expectations.



#### LIGHTS & SIRENS: Fire & Police News

By Fire Chief Mike Beyerstedt 868-5950/mbeyerstedt@gulfport-ms.gov

Fireworks on the Fourth of July is as American as apple pie, but did you know that more fires are reported on that day than on any other day of the year in the United States? Nearly half of these fires are caused by fireworks. In 2008, fireworks caused an estimated 22,500 reported fires, including 1,400 structure fires, 500 vehicle fires, and 20,600 outside and other fires. Fireworks and these fires resulted in 2 civilian deaths, more than 9,000 hospital emergency room treated injuries, and \$42,000,000 in direct property damage.

The good news is that you can enjoy your Fourth of July holiday and the fireworks, with just a few simple safety tips: Please treat fireworks with respect, read all of the cautions and warnings and use common sense. Lighting fireworks indoors, throwing them from automobiles and lighting multiple devices at the same time can lead to accidents and are not how fireworks are intended to be used. The tip of a sparkler burns at more than **1,200 degrees**Fahrenheit, so be sure to soak all fireworks in a bucket of water before throwing them in the trash can. Of course the safest way to enjoy fireworks is to enjoy a display put on by professionals such as the one that will be taking place on the beach in Gulfport on the Fourth of July. Be safe and I hope to see you there! Chief Beyerstedt







### **Hurricane Preparedness**

June 1 sends shudders down the spine of nearly every person living along the Gulf of Mexico. Just the thought of hurricane season beginning brings up memories of the toppled trees and flooded homes from Hurricane Katrina for most Gulf Coast residents. But, while the storm shattered many lives and destroyed even more homes, it taught those in south Mississippi one thing: Be Prepared!

Hurricane Season begins June 1 and runs through November 30, but it is not too late to get together your disaster supply kit. Every home should have one handy year around, but in South Mississippi, it is especially necessary during hurricane season, when the next big storm just might come this year.

To get a list of what needs to be in your disaster supply list, please access the following website: <a href="https://www.fema.gov/plan">www.fema.gov/plan</a>.

## **Municipal Court**

by Jennifer Jones Snaer

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#### **Municipal Court Honors Two Former Employees**

On May 17, 2011, Municipal Court's very own Pamela Heiter and Brenda "Reed" Evans were recognized at the City Council Meeting for their hard work and dedication to the Municipal Court.

Brenda Reed retired from Gulfport Municipal Court on February 17th. Brenda was employed by the City for 27 years. She worked in various departments; Mayor's Office, Police Department, and finally the Municipal Court. She held four different titles during her tenure with the City and was



Left to Right: Brenda Evans, Odell Thompson, Jr., & Pam Heiter

definitely an asset to the City and the Municipal Court. She will definitely be missed! Thanks Brenda for all of your years of service.

Pam Heiter served as the Court Accountant for the past three years and made tremendous contributions to the Court and to our Accounting Department. She always found new ways of handling tasks that came her way and was instrumental in improving many of the processes currently being utilized in the Court. Pam "somewhat" retired at the beginning of May. She plans to spend her free time working in her garden and running a home-based business for fun.

# **Honoring Our Dads**



The first Father's Day was observed on June 19, 1910 in Spokane Washington. Mrs. James B. Dodd wanted Father's Day to be celebrated on the first Sunday in June, her father's birthday. Her mother had died, and she and her siblings were raised by their father. William Jackson Smart, a Civil War veteran, showed great strength and selflessness in raising his children alone after being widowed when his wife died in childbirth with their sixth child.

The white or red rose is the official flower for Father's Day. Mrs. Dodd suggested that people wear a white rose to honor a father who was deceased and a red rose for a father who was living.

For many of us, our fathers are our heroes. We appreciate them for their love and guidance. Good fathers set an example of strength, honor, sacrifice, and responsibility.

On father's Day, we honor dads all for their love and the lessons they have taught us.

# **Milestones**

## **Retirees**

Thank you for Your Service, Dedication, and for Sharing Your Experience With Us...Best Wishes!

Tommy Price

Leisure Services

Foreman III

8 years

William Racz

Henry Levins

Urban Development

Building Inspector 4 years

### **Promotions**

Congratulations for all your hard work...

Marcus Oster	Police Department	Patrol Officer 2
Neal Stachura	Police Department	Captain
Keith Rhodes	Leisure Services	Foreman III
Kenneth Payne	Fire Department	Battalion Chief
Christopher Henderson	Fire Department	District Chief
Lonnie Necaise	Fire Department	District Chief
Joseph McCorkle	Fire Department	Lieutenant
Billy Kelley	Fire Department	Lieutenant
Naiem Bordeaux	Fire Department	Lieutenant
Jason Edwards	Fire Department	Lieutenant
Andrew Capiola	Fire Department	Engineer
Michael Groce	Fire Department	Engineer
Charles Hanson	Fire Department	Engineer
Ian Murray	Fire Department	Engineer
Christopher Loposser	Police Department	Commander
James Allen	Fire Department	Lieutenant
Frank Moraway	Fire Department	Engineer
Kevin Lundy	Fire Department	Training Coordinator
Tamara Mills	Municipal Court	Deputy Court Clerk II
Christal Adams	Municipal Court	Deputy Court Clerk ll
Maria Nichols (transfer)	Municipal Courts	Deputy Court Clerk I
Jamie Jenkins	Fire Department	Battalion Chief



**District Chief** 

Fire Department

# **New Hires**

# Welcome Aboard to Our Great City!

Christopher Kangas	Firefighter	Fire
Gerald Gordon	Firefighter	Fire
Charles King, Jr.	Firefighter	Fire
Henry Skinner	Firefighter	Fire
Nicholas Oster	Firefighter	Fire
Jeremy Fortenberry	Firefighter	Fire
Joseph Weaver	Firefighter	Fire
Norman Gill	Firefighter	Fire
Charles Saussy	Firefighter	Fire
Ryan Wangerin	Firefighter	Fire
Eric Valles	Firefighter	Fire
Stuart Johnson	Firefighter	Fire
Loren Moran	Firefighter	Fire
Bryant Seymour, Jr	Firefighter	Fire
Gene Bumbalough	Patrol Officer	Police
Amanda Self	Crime Scene Tech	Police
Ashlee Campbell	Dispatcher	Police
Cody Cooley	Dispatcher	Police
Mindy Clark	Dispatcher	Police
Tara Busby (Re-hire)	Dispatcher	Police
Terri Fairley	Court Accountant	Municipal Courts
Minnie Blue	Admin (PT)	Human Resources
Robert Caraway	Center Coord	Leisure Services
Tommy Wallace	GSE I	Leisure Services
Melvin Evans	Rec Aid	Leisure Services
Jay Cuevas	GSE I (PT)	Leisure Services



CITY OF GULFPORT EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARD PROGRAM



We are proud to announce our 2011 First Quarter GEM Award recipients. Pictured left to right are: Jackie White (Outstanding Service), Jennifer Jones-Snaer (Innovation and Outstanding Service) Brittany Whitten (Outstanding Service), Back-row left to right are: Mayor George Schloegel, Brent Necaise (Human Relations).

The GEM Awards is the City of Gulfport's quarterly employee recognition program which was created to acknowledge outstanding accomplishments made by employees, and to express appreciation for those achievements. Deadline date for submittal of nominations are the 15th of January, April, July and October. Please visit the Human Resources website for program details, and to nominate an employee.

### Acknowledgement

In May 2009, the Municipal Court and the Police Department embarked on the 22.8 million building project of the Robert J. Curry Public Safety Center. Although the project focused primarily on the Court and the Police Department, there were others on the city's team whose efforts helped in the completion of this project which included: Connie Debenport, Paul Schroder and Chelsea Brannon. They were commended in a letter written by Odell Thompson, Court Administrator and submitted to Dr. Kelly, Chief Administrative Officer for their hard work and support during and after the construction of the new Municipal Court.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF LEISURE SERVICES**

Summer Activities
By Liz MacMillan
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As the Burt Jones Yacht Basin nears completion, several other projects in Jones Park and the Harbor are getting under way. This image shows a rendering of Jones Park and the harbor. The large pavilion near the 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue circle should be out for bid soon. Just south of that structure is the Harbor Services Facility, which is currently under construction. As you look westward down Jones Park Drive, you see the lighthouse (also currently under construction). Although no definitive opening dates have been set for the Harbor or Jones Park, the facilities will open once construction complete is enough to allow safe access for our citizens.

Other projects scheduled to begin soon are the expansion of the park from 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the west toward 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, including the Amphitheatre, sidewalks and park lighting, as well as getting park elevations set and grassing.

As the project continues to unfold, the "front yard" of Gulfport and the State of Mississippi, will soon be an outstanding facility/harbor that will make our city proud.

Book Your Event Today at one of our local community centers





Coastal residents arrived in large numbers to participate in an outdoor musical event hosted by the Gulf Coast Symphony. Over 6,000 people enjoyed an open-air Memorial Day concert featuring patriotic selections, quality music, and fireworks!





#### **DEPARTMENT OF LEISURE SERVICES**

**Summer Activities** 



Come celebrate Independence Day at the City's Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 p.m. at the Moses Pier just west of the Harbor. You can relax and enjoy the show along Highway 90 from Courthouse Road to Westside Pier.

# Introducing Bocce Ball at West Side Park

West Side Park is now home to a public Bocce Ball Court. Built at the request of the West Side Civic Organization located in the south section of Park.

Bocce is an Italian game that is easy to learn but can be difficult to master. You can play bocce on any flat and level surface, which makes it ideal for picnics and backyard cookouts. Clubs and leagues play competitively on a court, which is typically sand-covered, and approximately 27.5 meters long.

The equipment to participate in a game may be checked out from the Senior Citizen's Center at the north end of the park or participants can bring their own equipment to play. There is no fee to use of the court and it is offered on a first come first served basis.





A Masterpiece presented to the City of Gulfport

AP Studio Art students from Arkansas's Piggott High School visited Gulfport in March during their Spring Break. They delivered a special piece of artwork created especially for our City called "The Tree of Hope". Bruce Griebel, of the Beautification Division, accepted the artwork on behalf of Mayor George Schloegel. The artwork features tree branches that were gathered after the 2009 ice storm in Clay County. The students wanted to make a connection with the City of Gulfport due to our recent losses from Hurricane Katrina and the BP Oil Spill. This unique piece of art will be hung at the Handsboro Community Center.

### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Hurricane Season and Home Generators
By Richard Thorsten and Ramona Ervin
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Hurricane season is upon us again and this year 15 predicted to be very active. In a bad storm/hurricane the possibility of losing electric power to your home is high. Home generators are made to keep you comfortable and protected from heat and further loss of property, but can be harmful if not used and maintained correctly.

#### WHAT SIZE GENERATOR IS NEEDED?

When purchasing a home generator consider what size generator you need depending on your power needs? How many lights will you have on, do you have a refrigerator or freezer you want to run, do you want to operate a small ac unit. A typical house with all power demands on will require about 20 to 25 KW to operate. Generators sized between 5,000 and 8,000 KW work well for limited use. It is critical that you have enough generated power to operate your electric motor or you may burn that motor up due to lack of proper wattage. Consult an electrician to help determine your power needs and know what can be run based on your size generator. Electrical equipment, appliances, kitchen tools, A/C units, light bulbs, etc. have a label stating their wattage use. This can be tallied up to find what your Watt demand may be and don't forget to consider the "start up wattage" requirement as this can be higher than operating wattage.





#### DANGERS OF GENERATOR OPERATIONS

There are serious dangers in using generators. One of the biggest and most harmful is "back-feeding" of current back out of your house, through your meter and to the main power grid, putting anyone working on or near a downed power line at risk of electrocution or igniting fires if the power gets to damaged equipment. Back-feeding occurs when a generator is plugged into a house wall socket and no protection has been put into place to stop that current from leaving your home. It is best to hire a licensed electrician to install a 'safety double throw switch' next to your power panel; this separates you house current from the power company at the panel box and gives a safe connection point to connect your generator. Remember; NEVER plug a generator into a wall socket.

Using extension cords from the generator directly to appliances is safe when heavy duty UA approved power cords are used. Light duty cords run over a long distance can overheat and cause a fire in your home; nor will they provide the proper voltage to your electric motor possibly causing it to short out.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

#### **Hurricane Season and Home Generators**

Be careful not to overload your generator. When you exceed your generators rated capacity your motors are not getting the voltage they need to operate at peak efficiency and can short out and burn up.

Never run a generator INSIDE your home or garage. The exhaust from the generator motor produces carbon dioxide that can cause illness and even death.

#### PREPARE YOUR GENERATOR FOR OPERATION

Whether you have a existing generator or just purchased a new one, always read and follow the manufacturer safety precautions and start-up procedures. The OPERATOR'S Manual will tell you how to properly operate and maintain the machine.

FUEL: Use the correct type of fuel and octane level your unit requires. You may have a diesel or natural gas unit, so be sure to use the right type of fuel. If your generator has been sitting all winter with fuel in the tank, it is best to drain the tank and put in fresh fuel. Gasoline gets old after a short period of time, especially in our high heat summer weather, and can tarnish the internal working parts of your carburetor causing engine problems. Adding a fuel stabilizer to your fuel will help slow the fuel aging process. Newly available are fuel ethanol treatments can also help prevent damage caused by ethanol fuels. When you need to add fuel to the generator, disconnect the power draw and allow the machine to cool without a load and then turn the unit off. Once the unit has cooled, add fuel. Be careful not to spill any gas on the generator, as this could cause a fire.

OIL: Check the oil level to ensure it's at the proper level for your machine. If oil looks milky the oil is contaminated. In a water cooled engine (most are air cooled) and needs to be drained and replaced before operating the machine. Refer to you manufacturer manual for the type and grade of oil and time of use requirements for changing your oil for your unit. While the machine is off, re-check the engine oil level and add if necessary. Many generators are equipped with a "low oil" cut-out switch that will shut down the unit should the oil goes below a safe level.

Air Filter: Check your cleaner filter and intake system.

Make sure it is free of bugs and bee nests in your air intake system. Blow out any dust in the filter and wipe out any dirt in the air opening. Do not use air to blow out the box that houses your air filter- you do not want to blow dirt into your engine and damage it. Most filters are inexpensive and you may want to keep a spare on hand. Clogged filters cause engines to run poorly and improper filtration can cause engine damage.

**BATTERY:** If the generator is a "battery start", check the connections and make sure they are tight and not corroded. A bad connection could cause your unit not to start and/or keep your battery from charging.

After you have made all the required checks on your machine, place it in a well ventilated area, follow the manufacturer recommendations on grounding your machine, and then start your generator and let it warm up. Always allow your machine to warm up before putting it under a load. Your generator should run smooth and at a constant speed. Once your generator has warmed up, make your connections (according to the manufacturer's recommendations), being careful to bring the load up slowly. breaker on your unit.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

#### **Hurricane Season and Home Generators**

Do not turn on too many items at one time, as this could cause an overload and trip a safety breaker on your unit.

As your machine is running be aware of the hot exhaust pipe and ensure good ventilation to keep the machine cool.

#### STORING YOUR GENERATOR

Once the generator is no longer needed, you should prepare it for storage. Be sure to turn off the gas at the base of the tank and allow the machine to run until it quits.



This will drain all the gas from the carburetor. If you leave the fuel in the tank, be sure to add stabilizer to the

fuel. Check your oil and if it has been run for a long period of time, you might consider changing the oil and filter (some do not have a filter), so you will be ready for the next event. Check your manufacturer's recommendations, some recommend you drain the fuel tank during the stored/off season time.

Everyone hopes we do not need generators this season, but being prepared for the worse is always better than no plan at all. Use generators with caution and always be mindful of the dangers that can occur.



### What's Happening in Gulfport

#### July 4th

Fourth of July Fireworks located off the Moses Pierr beginning at 8:45p.m.

#### July 7th

Nations World Series Baseball Parade Downtown Gulfport beginning at 1:30p.m.

#### July 20th

Nations World Series Baseball Parade, location Downtown Gulf port starting at 6:30p.m.

#### August 16th-18th

Peewee Flag & Tackle football. Registration is at Herbert Wilson & Gaston Hewes Recreation Centers during their respective hours of operation.

## **Urban Development New Projects:**

**Tractor Farm Supply** on Hwy 49 is scheduled to open this month.

**Rooms To Go** moved to its new location on Hwy 49.

Smoothie King will open this month.

**Barnhill's Restaurant**, Hwy. 49 opened in June.

**Memorial Clinic** is now open at Wal-Mart on Hwy 49.

#### IT DEPARTMENT

Checking your E-mail By Bill Fulks, IT Department 868-5734/bfulks@gulport-ms.gov

## How to check your City of Gulfport email from home

Did you know that you can check your City of Gulfport email from home or any other computer with Internet access? We have a web-based version of Outlook that works very much the same as Microsoft Outlook, but from within your web browser and without having to download.

Follow these steps to access your account:

Please note that these steps will not work from within the City's network. You will need to do this from your home computer.

- 1. Go to the website <a href="http://www.gulfport-ms.gov/webmail">http://www.gulfport-ms.gov/webmail</a>
- 2. You will be prompted with a login box like the one below:



Once you are logged in, it will look like this:

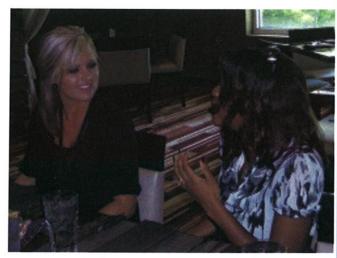


- 3. The *User Name* should be entered as **GPT\username** using the same login name you use when signing onto your work PC.
- 4. The *Password* will be the same as your regular computer password.
- 5. When you are finished checking your email, click the **Log Off** button in the upper right corner and close the browser window. This has been tested to work with Firefox as well as Internet Explorer.

If you have any questions, please call Information Systems at: (228) 868-5734.

# The Last Glance...

Catherine Williams



Brittany Whitten and Jennifer Jones-Snaer



Antoinette White and Brittany Whitten



Reggie Sims and Larry Davis



Rose Chamberlain and Brenda Salloum

# Say WHAT???

Each department has their own language...acronyms, phrases, and abbreviations that may confuse the rest of us. But the next time you hear one of these words, you'll know what they mean: NIMS: National Incident Management System, a system of standardized procedures that all levels of government use to conduct emergency responses.

**BUA**—**Finance:** Budget Amendment

Req. (pronounced "wreck") - Human Resources: a requisition form to replace a terminated employee

ACH- Payroll: Automatic Clearing House, or government the system that supports electronic funds transfer

Signal 1—Police: The code for a vehicle accident

10/8—Police: The code an officer uses when he is available or in service F.I.—Police: Field Interview